

Little Annie Hammy

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THIS MONTH WE FIND OUR PRECIOUS HEROINE'S LONGTIME PAL, PERCY, ON THE VERGE OF STEPPING INTO THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF HAM RADIO... WE OPEN OUR STORY WITH PERCY ON ANNIE'S PRECIOUS LITTLE DOORSTEP...



GOLLY GEE 73!
IT'S TIME FOR
OUR LITTLE CODE
PRACTICE AND
THEORY SESSION
COME IN,
PERCY
♪♪



HI, ANNIE...
JUST ONE MORE
SESSION OF THE
CODE AND I
THINK I'LL BE
READY FOR THAT
NOVICE TICKET
... AND I'VE
READ UP ON
ALL THOSE
LITTLE RESISTOR
AND CAPACITOR
THINGS...

OH, PERCY!
I'VE ALWAYS
THOUGHT OF
YOU AS BEING
REAL HAM
MATERIAL!



THAT WAS
WONDERFUL,
PERCY!
A WHOLE
COLUMN OF
'WZNSD/I' AT
5-WPM WITHOUT
A SINGLE
MISTAKE... AND
YOU DIDN'T
GET HYSTERICAL
ONCE!



WEEKS LATER...

ANNIEBAAAAABY!

I'M A
HAM!

I'D SAY
HE'S MORE
OF A
PORKCHOP

JUST THINK, ANNIE!

'CQ TIBET... CQ TASMANIA...
CQ PETERBOROUGH... WATSA,
OLD MEN?... HOW COPY, GUS?
SURE, I QSL... QRU?... QRS?...
ROGERDODGER... QRZQRZQRZ
QRZQRZQRZ?

**OH, PERCY... YOU'RE A
REAL HAM! WHY DON'T
YOU COME
ALONG TO
THE HAM
CLUB WITH
ME TONIGHT
AND MEET
THE LOCAL
FELLOWS?**

OH BOY!
WHOO!
HOT DOG!
SEE WHIT!

CLOUD/9

THAT EVENING...

PUNKDUCK HOLLOW RADIO
MEETS FIRST THURSDAY AFTER 10:00 PM

ADULTS
ONLY

NO
COPERS

GDO

**FELLOWS... MEET PERCY!....
HE'S THE TOWN'S NEWEST HAM
...HE JUST GOT HIS TICKET TODAY!**

THE AMATEUR IS FRIENDLY

**HI PRCY BT GLD TO
MEET U BT NME HR
IS CLYDE ES I'M A CW
MAN MYSLF SK.**

UR LOYA



**AWWWH...HOPE TO
HEAR YOU ON GOOD
OLD 75'PHONE WHEN
YOU GET THAT BIG
TICKET... AWWWH...
THAT'S WHERE YOU'LL
HEAR ME!
HAR HAR
HAR...**



WHATDIDHESAY?

**YOU HAVE TO SORT
OF WHISTLE WHILE
HE TALKS... HE'S
A SIDEBANDER...**





MEET OSCAR... HE'S A VHF OPERATOR...



THIS IS CHARLIE... HE'S A DEDICATED RTTY HAM... WRITE HIM A NOTE - HE'S NOT MUCH FOR TALK



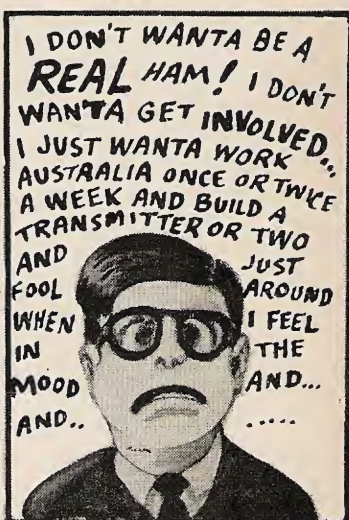
AWWRIGHT, YOU LIDS... LET'S GET THIS MEETING STARTED!



AWWRIGHT... LET'S GO WITH THE ROLLCALL... DON'T NOBODY BREAK IN OUTA TURN OR IT'S THE WOUFF HONG...

YOU CAN MEET SOME MORE OF THE FELLOWS AFTER THE MEETING... ISN'T THIS A WONDERFUL GROUP? ALL **REAL** HAMS - EACH WITH HIS OWN TALENTS CONTRIBUTING TO THE WHOLE OF THAT GREAT SERVICE - AMATEUR RADIO... PERCY? **PERCY!**

I WANTA GO HOME...



I DON'T WANTA BE A **REAL** HAM! I DON'T WANTA GET INVOLVED... I JUST WANTA WORK AUSTRALIA ONCE OR TWICE A WEEK AND BUILD A TRANSMITTER OR TWO AND FOOL JUST AROUND WHEN I FEEL THE MOOD AND... AND... AND...



I'LL NEVER GET **THAT** WRAPPED UP IN HAM RADIO... THOSE GUYS HAVE GONE THE LIMIT!



WANT TO STOP IN FOR A CUP OF HOT CHOCOLATE?

THANKS, BUT I WANT TO GET HOME AND GET STARTED ON SOME AWARDS... I MADE FOUR DOZEN CERTIFICATE FRAMES THIS WEEK...

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